

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 5-6 with the following amended paragraph:

In an alternative embodiment, the particulate material may be embedded in an inert binder such as a plastics material, a wax such as a paraffin wax, or an adhesive matrix to aid manufacture, handling and assembly. The matrix material may also be conveniently chosen to make a ~~[[nett]]~~ net contribution to the reaction of the principal suspended particulate material.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 8-9 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring to Figure 1, ~~[[and]]~~ an explosive device 10 consists of a cylindrical GRP (glass reinforced plastic) body 2 located between a ~~perspex~~ PERSPEX magazine locating plate 4 and ~~perspex~~ PERSPEX liner locating plate 6. The magazine locating plate 4 centralises a ~~perspex~~ PERSPEX unit 8 on the central axis of the device. The magazine unit 8 locates a detonator 12 and explosive booster pellet 14 to form an initiation cap assembly 16. The initiation cap assembly 16 ensures that the detonation front transferred into a main explosive filling 18, via the booster pellet 14, is propagated symmetrically with respect to the axis of the device 10. A GRP outer liner skin 22, with an open truncated apex 24 is bonded to the cylindrical body 2 to form a sub-assembly 26. An internal GRP conical liner 32, with a closed truncated apex, is bonded into the recess 34 machined into the liner locating plate 6 to form a sub-assembly 36. Sub-assemblies 26 and 36 are then joined and bonded to form a charge assembly 42 defining a conical void 44 concentric and aligned to the central axis of the device 10.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 9-10 with the following amended paragraph:

Referring now to Figure 2, ~~[[an]]~~ a device 20 consists of a cylindrical body 50 located

between an initiation cap 16 and a ~~perspex~~ PERSPEX tubular liner assembly locator plate 35. The initiation cap 16 ensures that the detonation front is transferred into a radial detonation transfer disk 51, symmetrically disposed with respect to the axis of the device 20. An inner GRP tubular liner 52 and outer GRP tubular liner 53 are located co-axially between a polyethylene barrier plate 59 and the tubular liner assembly locator plate 35. The separation between the two tubular liners 52 and 53 is maintained by an insert 54 which is drilled with a single hole 55 to allow a void 56 defined by the liners 52 and 53 to be filled with aluminium powder 58.